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SUBJECT: VISIT OF LOCKHEED PRESIDENT

REF: QUITO 767

1. LOCKHEED OFFICIALS CONFIRM DETAILS REPORTED IN PARA 1 OF REFTEL. VISIT TO QUITO IS PART OF AN EXTENSIVE SERIES OF SALES DEMONSTRATIONS IN VARIOUS LA CITIES TO BE CARRIED OUT BY GROUP OF ABOUT 75 LOCKHEED AND ROLLS-ROYCE TECHNICIANS AND EXECUTIVES DURING PERIOD FEBRUARY 19 TO MARCH 6.
2. GROUP IS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE FROM BARRANQUILLA, COLOMBIA IN QUITO ON FEBRUARY 27 AT 2:40 PM. WILL PRESENT SALES DEMONSTRATIONS TO SELECTED ECUADORIAN POTENTIAL CUSTOMERS ON FEBRUARY 28, AND WILL DEPART AT 5:30 PM THAT DAY FOR PANAMA CITY. AIRCRAFT TO BE DEMONSTRATED IS L-1011 TRI-STAR (LEASED FROM TWA) WITH MODIFIED INTERIOR.
3. LOCKHEED-ROLLS-ROYCE ADVANCE GROUP IS CURRENTLY VISITING CITIES AT WHICH DEMONSTRATIONS WILL BE PRESENTED, AND WAS SCHEDULED TO BE IN QUITO FEBRUARY 1-4 (LODGING AT QUITO HOTEL). WE ASSUME GROUP CONTACTED US AND/OR UK EMBASSY AND PROVIDED FURTHER DETAILS. KISSINGER

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